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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FROM THE OFFICE ACTION

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Applicant

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Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated September 26, 2003 for 3 month(s) from December 26, 2003 to March 26, 2004.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

CALCULATION OF FEE			
LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY.	LARGE ENTITY	FEE
WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 55	\$ 110	\$
WITHIN SECOND MONTH	\$ 210	\$ 420	\$
WITHIN THIRD MONTH	\$ 475	\$ 950	\$475
WITHIN FOURTH MONTH	\$ 740	\$1480	\$
WITHIN FIFTH MONTH	\$1005	\$2010	\$

Submitted herewith is a check for \$475 to cover the cost of the extension.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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